



AN ACT

Prohibiting the
Proclaiming of any Person

TO BE

KING

OF

ENGLAND or IRELAND,

or the Dominions thereof.



Whereas Charles Stuart
King of England,
being for the Noto-
rious Treasons,
Tyrannies & Mur-
ders committed by
him in the late Un-
natural and Cruel
Wars, condemned
to Death; Where-
upon, after Execu-
tion of the same, several Pretences may be
made; and Title set on foot unto the Kingsly
Office;

Office, to the apparent hazard of the publique Peace: For prevention thereof, Be it Enacted and Ordained by this present Parliament, and by Authority of the same, That no person or persons whatsoever do presume to Proclaim, Declare, Publish, or any way promote Charles Stuart, Son of the said Charles, commonly called, The Prince of Wales, or any other person to be King, or chief Magistrate of England, or of Ireland, or of any the Dominions belonging to them or either of them, by colour of Inheritance, Succession, Election, or any other Claim whatsoever, without the free consent of the People in Parliament first had, and signified by a particular Act or Ordinance for that purpose, Any Statute, Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding. And be it further Enacted and Ordained, and it is hereby Enacted and Ordained, That whosoever shall contrary to this Act, Proclaim, Declare, Publish, or any way promote the said Charles Stuart the Son, or any other person to be King, or chief Magistrate of England or of Ireland, or of any the Dominions belonging to them, or to either of them, without the said consent in Parliament signified as aforesaid, shall be deemed and adjudged a Traytor to the Commonwealth, and shall suffer pains of Death, and such other punishments as belong to the Crime of High Treason. And all Officers, as well Civil as Military, and all other well-affected persons, are hereby authorized and required forthwith to apprehend all such Offenders,
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and to bring them in safe Custody to the next Justice of the Peace, that they may be proceeded against accordingly.

Die Martis, 30 Januarii, 1648.

ORdered by the Commons assembled in Parliament, That this Act be forthwith Printed and Published:

H. Scobell, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

L O N D O N :

Printed for *Edward Husbard*, Printer to the Honorable House of Commons. 1648: